



Dear Parents and Carers

I can't believe how quickly the year is progressing and how much the children have achieved in that time. It has been a very intense but rewarding term.

Our 10 chicks have been the highlight of the past 2 weeks and we have all delighted in watching them grow and develop from baby chicks to adolescent 'chicksters'. (Yes, I did just make up that word). They have eaten us out of school and home and have quite literally spread their wings in an attempt to flee the nest over the past few days. We have enjoyed having them so much and are looking forward to our next Living Eggs experience next year.



It has been such a busy week for the Reception and Year 1 pupils alike.....



Reception

Reception classes have been very creative, making Easter Gardens, Easter cards and chicks (see photo). Mrs Rizvi's class have been planting sunflower seeds, potatoes, carrots and radishes. The rendition of 'Chick, chick, chick, chick chicken' in assembly today was lovely to hear.

Year 1

As well as lots of investigation, measuring and recording of data to do with the weight of our chicks, Year 1 have been writing Spring poems, practising reading 'alien' words, captioning our Spring Walk photos and calculating the popularity of Easter Egg varieties by making tally and bar charts.



EXTREME READING

We would like to add to the children's excitement and enjoyment of reading over Easter by setting them all a challenge! We would like them to be photographed reading in unusual places - the stranger the better - whilst remaining safe at all times. The staff are keen to be involved in this challenge themselves and we look forward to some interesting photos for discussion in our classes next term.

SUMMER UNIFORM

After the Easter holidays we are looking forward to the children returning in their summer uniform.

Girls

Red checked dress
White socks
Navy school sweatshirt or cardigan with crest

Boys

Red polo shirt with crest
Grey shorts
Grey socks
Navy school sweater or cardigan with crest

PANTOMIMUS

We are delighted to be able to offer all the classes eight weeks of music sessions led by Margareta, a music specialist, from Berkshire Maestros. The children will 'sing, move, play instruments and be creative; sharing the joy of making music together.' Sessions will run from 11th May and more details will be sent home after Easter.

JOURNEYS

Many thanks to Mrs Bareham and all the parents who are helping bring the journeys theme alive in our corridor.

AWNING CONSTRUCTION

We are hoping we can complete the majority of top panels on Saturday 25th April: do let us know if you will be able to help.



DATES TO NOTE

Monday 20 th April - Friday 22 nd May	Term 5
Saturday 25 th April	Awning Construction - volunteers needed
Monday 4 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Saturday 9 th May	PTFA Race Night

SPOTLIGHT

Our spotlight falls on Matilda White for **ballet**; Rufus Palk, Fletcher Bramley, Eddy Leach and Scarlett Hepwood for **swimming**; Eva McCarthy for **gymnastics**. Well done everyone.

PUPILS OF THE TERM

This morning Pupil of the Term awards were handed to Eva McCarthy (Y1); Darcey Jones and Joshua Ellison (Mr Rizvi's Class); Rufus Palk and Indi King Gomez (Mr Crispin's Class). Congratulations to them all.

We hope you all have a very happy and peaceful Easter with your families and look forward to welcoming you back at school again on Monday 20th April.

Mrs Edwards
Headteacher